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SUBJECT: VOLTAN DELEGATION TO LOS CONFERENCE

REF: A STATE 067788; B OUAGA 559

1. VOLTAN DELEGATION TO LOS CONFERENCE LED BY MARC YAO AND MICHEL KAFANDO. YAO ENTERED FOREIGN MINISTRY IN 1968, HEADED INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (AID LIAISON) DIVISION OF FOREIGN MINISTRY 1970-73, AND IS PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO VOLTAN PERMANENT MISSION TO UN AS COUNSELOR. KAFANDO ENTERED FOREIGN MINISTRY IN LATE 1972 AND IS HEAD OF BILATERAL RELATIONS SECTION IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION DIVISION.

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2. BOTH YAO AND KAFANDO HAVE LIMITED BACKGROUND

ON LOS MATTERS, ALTHOUGH KAFANDO HAS REPRESENTED UPPER VOLTA AT LOS MEETINGS IN UGANDA AND KENYA. YAO SPEAKS SOME ENGLISH; KAFANDO DOES NOT. YAO IS THE MORE EXPERIENCED DIPLOMAT AND HAS BASICALLY FAVORABLE ATTITUDE TOWARD USA, WHEREAS KAFANDO CAN BE ARROGANT AND HIGHLY OPINIONATED. HENCE SUGGEST USDEL OFFICERS MAKE THEIR APPROACHES TO YAO.

3. AS LANDLOCKED STATE, VOLTAN DELEGATION WILL PUSH FOR FREE ACCESS TO AND FROM SEA WITHOUT ANY RESTRICTIONS (SEE REF B). ALL OTHER ISSUES WILL BE CLEARLY SECONDARY, ALTHOUGH UPPER VOLTA DOES HAVE AN INTEREST IN ESTABLISHMENT OF HIGH SEAS RESOURCES REGIME WHICH WOULD GIVE UPPER VOLTA SOME SHARE IN BENEFITS. ASIDE FROM LANDLOCKED ISSUE, UPPER VOLTA IS LIKELY FOLLOW COMMON AFRICAN POSITIONS WHEN SUCH EXIST; IT IS UNLIKELY UPPER VOLTA WOULD DEPART FROM ANY AGREED AFRICAN POSITION EXCEPT FOR LANDLOCKED ISSUE, OR SOME ISSUE WHICH INVOLVED CLEAR TRADE-OFF OF VOLTAN SUPPORT IN EXCHANGE FOR RECEIPT OF SUPPORT FOR LANDLOCKED COUNTRIES ACCESS. BULLEN

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